Construction of CGHS Dispensary in Vasant Vihar

2311. SHRI W. ANGOU SINGH: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether any land has been earmarked by the CGHS in Vasant Vihar for construction of CGHS Dispensary;

(b) if so, the details of the land and the reasons for delay in the construction;

(c) whether the appropriate budget has been arranged for the purpose;

(d) if so, the details thereof; and

(e) by when Government will start the construction of CGHS building?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRI A. RAJA): (a) Yes Sir.

(b) to (e) The possession of a plot of land measuring 0.15 hectare for construction of a CGHS dispensary building in Vasant Vihar has already been taken over by CGHS Delhi.

The drawing for the building are being prepared and the question of Provision of funds from the budget would rise only after the estimates have been prepared for the purpose. Further, the construction of the buildings for CGHS is a continuous process and the construction activities are undertaken in a phased manner subject to completion of administrative formalities and availability of funds.

Enforcement of two children norm

2312. MISS MABEL REBELLO: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government propose to enforce strictly two children norm in the country;

(b) if so, the innovative measures they plan to adopt to make family planning a success; and

(c) whether Government plan to exclude men/women who have more than two children from the purview of Government employment/contesting election to various posts-starting from Panch to Parliament?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRI A. RAJA): (a) and (b) The Family Welfare Programme in India is voluntary and non-coercive in nature. It aims at ensuring that access to increased health and other facilities are provided alongwith accurate information and counselling; which together will enable a couple to adopt an appropriate family planning method, according to their choice and without any compulsion. This endeavour will emphasize the positive consequences of smaller sized families for improving the quality of lives that particularly women and children will lead.

Government has adopted the National Population Policy, 2000 which stipulates three objectives.

The immediate objective of the National Population Policy is to address the unmet needs of contraception, health infrastructure, health personnel and to provide integrated service delivery for basic reproductive and child health care. The medium term objectives is to bring the total fertility rates to replacement level by 2010, through vigorous implementation of inter sectoral operational strategies. The long term objective is to achieve a stable population by 2045, at a level consistent with the requirements of sustainable economic growth, social development and environmental protection.

It lists national socio-demographic goals to be achieved by 2010. It also enumerates 12 strategic themes with an action plan for each, as well as 16 promotional and motivational measures.

(c) There is no proposal at present to exclude men/women who have more than two children from securing a Government job. As regards the banning of persons who have more than two children from contesting elections, from Panchayats to Parliament, a Bill is pending before the Rajya Sabha. The Bill is yet to be passed because there is no political consensus in favour of the Bill as recommended by the Parliamentary Standing Committee on Human Resource Development.

Complaints against Doctors/Staff in CGHS

2313. SHRI BRATIN SENGUPTA: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether due to some reasons patients/beneficiaries do not make complaints against the doctors/staff working in Government hospitals, particularly in CGHS Dispensaries;